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UP FRONT FOCUS | *Returning to duty*



Master Sgt. Jose Rojo / WT

Senior Airman Jeffrey Hall of the 4th Operations Support Squadron's weather flight uses an anemometer to measure the winds June 29 on the flightline. Hall left the Air Force in 1995, but returned last year because he said he missed his job and the camaraderie he felt in the Air Force.

Weather flight airman has his ...

Eyes *on the* Skies

By Master Sgt. Jose Rojo
Superintendent,
Public Affairs

The 4th Fighter Wing's F-15E Strike Eagles are one of the world's most advanced tactical fighters. It's packed with avionics, navigation and targeting systems second to none. Yet for all its modern systems designed to ensure it can put "bombs on target" day or night, this aircraft is never the less still at the mercy of Mother Nature when it's flying a mission.

Getting these multi-million dollar aircraft and their crew to their target and back without

having to "fight" Mother Nature as well as the enemy is the job of the wing's weather forecasters.

One of these wing forecasters is Senior Airman Jeffrey Hall.

Hall, an eight-year Air Force veteran, said the forecasters' primary job is to provide wing aircrews with the best possible weather information so that they can perform their mission, whether in peace or at war.

"What we do is forecast the weather along the entire mission route," said Hall. "That includes predicting any possi-

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Facility hours to change thanks to survey

By Airman 1st Class
Charity Jules
Public Affairs

Due to an assessment survey conducted by the 4th Support Group, the hours of some base facilities will be changing to provide easier access for the people of Seymour who work alternate shifts.

The assessment, which focused on people who work shifts after 4:30 p.m. and before 7:30 a.m., found people would like to see a change in hours at the Southern Eagle Dining Facility, the Eagles Landing Flight Kitchen, the base exchange, the fitness center, military personnel flight and finance, said 2nd Lt. Anna Hansen, 4th Civil Engineer Squadron section commander.

According to Hansen, the needs assessment began as an

effort to determine how well the support services and facilities were meeting the needs of Seymour's airmen who regularly work after normal duty hours.

In response to the feedback from the survey, the Eagles Landing Flight Kitchen began extended hours Monday. The facility is now open an hour later in the evening, from 5-8 p.m.

The dining facility will also be changing its hours to 3:30-6:30 p.m., for the dinner meal and the weekday midnight meal will change to 10:30 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. The changes to the dining facility hours, beginning Aug. 1, will start a 90-day test period to see how well the change meets the needs of the airmen who use the facility.

The airmen who responded to

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E-5 list to be released early

RANDOLPH AIR FORCE BASE, Texas (AFPN) - For the second year in a row, the Air Force will release the list of the service's newest staff sergeants earlier than expected.

The release, which normally happens the first week of August, will now take place the first duty hour of July 19.

"We're very pleased with the early release because we expect another bumper crop of new staff sergeants this year," said Chief Master Sgt. Greg Haley, chief of the enlisted promotion and military testing branch chief at the Air Force Personnel Center here. "We have several airmen who need to get enrolled in and complete the Airman Leadership School before they sew on their new stripes, so this early release will allow commanders to get more of these airmen scheduled so they can assume their new ranks on time."

Another reason for the early release is the continued push by the Air Force to shorten the waiting period between testing and announcement.

Although the list of promotees will be released early, actual promotions will not begin until Sept. 1.

For a complete list of Seymour Johnson promotees, see the July 20 edition of the Wright Times.

Online 7-level training becomes reality



Senior Airman Bryan Bouchard / WT

The new online 7-level courses will allow 4th Fighter Wing command post NCOs, like Tech. Sgt. Thomas Barbee, to remain here, instead of traveling to the two-week course at Keesler Air Force Base, Miss.

RANDOLPH AIR FORCE BASE, Texas (AFPN) - Air Force people in several career fields will soon benefit from a new program that allows them to complete 7-level school online.

The Advanced Distributed Learning program has brought distance learning initiatives to the next level by developing a system that allows airmen assigned anywhere in the world to complete craftsman training courses via the Internet.

A few career fields are already available online and others will soon follow, said Maj. Joe Tegtmeyer, Air Education and Training Command's ADL branch chief.

"The command post craftsman course began operation on Feb 12 and has already had its first graduate," he said.

He said he expects to see 11 courses online by this time next year.

The ADL program expands the capabilities of traditional distance learning, the major said.

"Distance learning is training without the formal presence of a classroom instructor, and advanced distributed learning extends the concept to include anywhere, anytime," said Tegtmeyer. "We expect around 4,000 students to enroll in these courses this year."

Most of the ADL courses should initially come from the training groups at Keesler Air Force Base, Miss., and Lackland AFB, Texas, said Gary Twogood, AETC instructional systems design chief.

"Knowledge-based craftsman courses are ideally suited for the ADL program," said Twogood. "As courses are brought online, the equivalent residence programs will no longer exist."

ADL offers the advantages of providing airmen with increased accessibility to courses and greater enrollment flexibility,

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Bombs bursting in air



Senior Airman Bryan Bouchard / WT

The 4th Services Squadron's fireworks display for the July Fourth festival brought thousands of people to base Wednesday. Services sponsored an evening of activities next to the women's health club, across from the base fitness center. The festivities started in at 5 p.m., and concluded at about 9:30 p.m. Aside from the fireworks, Services hosted food and drink booths, games for children, karaoke and a live band.

MilMod strikes again

People who recently reenlisted, extended their current reenlistments or were promoted may need to check their leave and earning statements and the article on **Page 3**.

Weekend Weather
Sunday Saturday
Partly cloudy
Hi: 93 Low: 72
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Weather information provided by the 4 OSS weather flight.



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Crime stop line opens

Wright Times Staff Report

So far this year, 17 bikes left unsecured have been reported stolen throughout the wing with 12 being out of the military family housing area.

Although security forces are working to prevent thefts by increasing patrols in the military family housing and the dormitory areas, all Seymour Johnson members can play a part in helping detect and deter crimes where we live and work by using the Crime Stop program.

Individuals who see anything suspicious or a crime in progress should call 722-STOP (7867) for a direct link to the security forces desk sergeant and to report the crime-related information. Individuals who call can remain anonymous and still take an active part in helping to deter crime within the wing.

Let’s not take our support folks for granted

By Lt. Col. Wade Palmore
4th Services Squadron commander

For more than a year now I have had the pleasure of experiencing the world from a new perspective, that of the support group side of the house.

You see, I used to strap-on the jet and fly as my brothers and sisters in the flying units do daily. Most fliers are very passionate about what they do and equally so the maintainers. Many aviators would rather fly than eat, and I have seen the folks on the flightline equally as engrossed and excited to see

their jet get “wheels in the well.” This is the “pointy end of the spear,” for sure. But I have come to know the other side of the equation as well, that of the folks that work behind the scenes, and many times do not get noticed or get to see the instant result of their labors.

The report card of the security forces troop may be that no unauthorized person gets onto the base ... but did anyone try? If he does his job well, no attempt will be made at all, so we never know.

Are the engineers doing their job?

Well, the air conditioning works, we have lights and the toilet flushes ... I guess they are, but we take these and many other “necessities” for granted. And as we drift off to sleep or we light the barbeque on that holiday, there are cooks, cops, firemen, telephone operators, medical technicians, tower controllers and many others taking care of business.

If I may, let’s look at one of the unsung hero professions out there, that of the chef. They are charged with providing the force, both in peacetime and wartime, with a healthy, well-balanced

meal required to enable the pilot, mechanic, doctor and thousands of others to do their important jobs. I believe it was Napoléon, that correctly concluded that an army travels on it’s belly ... meaning what they eat. And in his experience more soldiers were disabled by dysentery than by weapons.

Have things changed? I don’t think so.

We, great warriors are willing to thrust ourselves into harms way in order to do our duty; we are willing to endure eating meals-ready-to-eat for weeks and sleep under the wing of the aircraft to

get the job done. But let’s be honest, we can achieve much greater success by getting the troops hot meals and proper quarters, and truthfully we all expect it.

So what’s the point of this article? We are the finest air and space force in the world, each one doing his or her part. So the next time you get a chance, give a pat on the back to someone that doesn’t have the most glamorous job but is equally important in the big scheme of things.

To all the support folks out there, you are doing great things and we salute you.

Dress & Appearance

We all know how to wear our uniforms, so why don’t we?

By Senior Airman Bryan Bouchard
Public Affairs

The Air Force instruction which lays out how we wear our uniform is an issue we all get tired of hearing about.

But why is that? I know.

It’s because regardless of how many times a first sergeant or supervisor has preached to you about it, you continually disregard what they are saying.

The AFI 36-2903, or the AF Regulation 35-10 for all you old folks, specifically lays out uni-

form and personal appearance guidelines for all of us to follow.

Sounds pretty simple.

Now before I go any further, I know I’m not perfect. I mess up as much as anyone else. But how hard is it to wear your uniform right, shave or do any of these other required things we have to do to ensure the Air Force looks good?

Obviously for some, it’s harder than we think. Allow me to throw out some examples:

■ An airman with a shaving waiver does not have to shave as often as an airman without. But

why is it that this airman whose face is irritated by shaving has a perfectly sculpted “goatee” or beard? Lesson: We aren’t in the Air Force to make a fashion statement. If we were, we’d all have Armani service jackets and all our ribbons and medals would be color-coordinated. This is the new Air Force, not Old Navy.

■ An airman wears his squadron cap like he’s on his way to a concert, instead of work. Lesson: Just because the hat you wear with your battle dress uniform looks like a base-

ball cap, doesn’t mean it can be worn like one. Regardless of the organization, unit caps must be worn just like your BDU hat. This means no wearing it backward, cocking it to one side or any other variations of those.

These are just two examples I see often enough to remember.

If you know you shouldn’t be wearing your uniform a certain way, don’t do it - especially off base. And if you see someone not wearing his uniform correctly, let him know, otherwise he may never know.

Terrorism: *Keeping people, resources safe*

By Tech. Sgt. Tim Moore
437th Security Forces Squadron

CHARLESTON AFB, S.C.

(AMCNS) – Terrorism is in the news on an almost daily basis.

Recently, the execution of Timothy McVeigh, and the trial of those responsible for the bombings of the embassies in Tanzania and Kenya have made headlines worldwide.

In both incidents, hundreds were killed or injured. On June 25, 1996, a fuel truck loaded with a large amount of explosives pulled along the perimeter of Khobar Towers, Saudi Arabia, and exploded, killing 19

service members.

Terrorists are not concentrating as much on overseas targets, but rather actively gathering intelligence about targets within the borders of the United States. No person, facility or installation is completely safe.

However, many people believe a terrorist will never strike where they live or work, and so they maintain a false sense of security.

Bobby Sands, a former member of the Irish Republican Army once said, “When it comes to terrorism, you have to be lucky all the time. I only have to be lucky once.”

According to the FBI, in 2000

there were 273 acts of terrorism. Of the 273 terrorism acts, 111 affected interests of the United States. These represent the lowest numbers since 1970. The bad news is 440 people died and over 5,700 were injured. These numbers are the highest since 1970. Terrorism is down, but lethality is up.

The motto of Air Force security forces is “Defensor Fortis,” or defenders of the force. The 437th Security Forces Squadron, or any security forces squadron in the Air Force, can’t act as a stand-alone agency in combating terrorism on our bases. It takes an integrated team

approach. From troops on the flight line and personnel in offices to residents in the housing areas, everyone should report suspicious people.

At Charleston AFB, Col. Rusty Findley, 437th Airlift Wing commander, places extreme importance on the safety and well being of all military personnel.

“Force protection is something we can never take lightly,” said Findley. “It is something that each and every one of us must factor into all we do to keep the Air Force at the leading edge of preserving the peace in our world.

“We’ve made great improvements

in our awareness and our procedures over the past few years, but vigilance is the overriding sentiment that still must dominate our thoughts and actions as we set forth to do our duty in this expeditionary era,” Findley continued.

To make Air Force bases safe places to work and live, do your part. Remain vigilant and practice sound security measures. If you see an unusual or suspicious event, contact your security forces or dial your local emergency number. For more information, call your unit antiterrorism manager or wing antiterrorism office.

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Action
Line



Edgington

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Seymour Johnson's Action Line is brought to the base by 4th Fighter Wing Commander, Col. David Edgington.

It provides a communication channel for people to obtain information and assistance in making Seymour a better place to live and work.

Edgington asks that before calling the Action Line, people should try to resolve their particular problem with the responsible base agencies listed here:

Base exchange	735-8512	Military pay	722-5373
Chaplain	722-0315	AFOSI	722-1220
Civil engineering	722-5139	Public Affairs	722-0027
Civilian pay	722-5358	Safety	722-4093
Commissary	722-0321	Security forces	722-0121
Military equal opportunity	722-1180	Services	722-5331
Inspector general	722-0008	Transportation	722-5089
Housing maintenance	736-7021	Travel pay	722-5362
TRICARE	(800) 931-9501	Youth center	722-0339

Air Force requests \$80.5 billion

By Staff Sgt. Amy Parr
Air Force Print News

WASHINGTON - Defense officials recently released their proposed \$329.9 billion budget for fiscal 2002, with \$80.5 billion requested for Air Force-specific programs.

The Department of Defense budget, the largest since the mid-1980s, targets pay, housing expenses, infrastructure, military health care, facilities and processes.

According to Under Secretary of Defense (Comptroller) Dov Zakheim, the DOD budget is broken up as follows:

- Procurement, \$61.6 billion;
- Operations and maintenance, \$125.7 billion;
- Research and development, \$47.4 billion;
- Military personnel, \$82.3 billion; and
- Other, \$10.6 billion.

The budget gives service members a minimum 5-percent pay raise, with targeted pay raises up to 10 percent for middle grades. Civilian pay raises are set for 3.6 percent, with targeted pay raises in critical skills, such as air traffic controllers. Out-of-pocket expenses for people living off base will be reduced to 11.3 percent and, according to Zakheim, will be eliminated by fiscal 2005.

Quite a bit of the Air Force budget is dedicated to human resources and recruiting and retention, said Maj. Gen. Larry Northington, Air Force deputy

assistant secretary for budget. "The Air Force is a retention service, and maintaining those field technicians is awfully important to us."

The Air Force is trying to maintain its experienced people, targeting midlevel and senior noncommissioned officers, as well as midgrade officers, said Northington. "We put a substantial amount of money in bonuses and special pays, maintaining the enlistment bonus to attract folks in and, in many cases, expanding the reenlistment bonuses to keep them in."

Other highlights of the Air Force budget include:

- Increased military construction, with 60 percent mission focused, 18 percent support related, and 22 percent dealing with quality-of-life issues;
- Sustaining current modernization programs, including revitalizing 2,189 military family housing units;
- Addressing degraded facilities; and
- Modifying, upgrading and improving reliability of aircraft, such as updating F-16 avionics and weapons delivery and improving E-3 radar systems.

It is important to defense officials that military people are treated in a way they deserve to be treated, said Zakheim. "They're the ones out there. They're the ones risking their lives for us. Clearly, we can't play any games or take any risks with morale; it's as simple as that."

Officer trainee dies at OTS

By Tech. Sgt. Jim Lapp
Air University Public Affairs

MAXWELL AIR FORCE BASE, Ala. - Officer Trainee Angel A. Castro Jr. assigned to Officer Training School here, collapsed during routine physical conditioning this morning at approximately 5:50 a.m.

Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation was administered immediately by two trained medical technicians who were also officer trainees in class 01-07.

An ambulance transported the trainee to Jackson Hospital where he was pronounced

dead at 6:40 a.m.

OT Castro was in his sixth week of training of a 12-week officer training program which began May 29. Before coming to OTS, he was an avionics technician at Elmendorf AFB, Alaska. He has been in the Air Force for 15 years and attained the rank of technical sergeant.

An autopsy will be performed to determine the exact cause of death. Lt. Gen. Donald A. Lamontagne, Air University commander, has elected a Commander Directed Investigation of the circumstances regarding OT Castro's death.

HOURS: Customers' needs come first

■ The shoppette has already started its new hours, along with the dining facility and flight kitchen to better serve the facilities' patrons.

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the survey also revealed that people felt the MPF and finance hours needed to be more flexible.

"In the past, extended hours at the MPF and finance had been tried and it was not taken advantage of," explained Hansen. "However, appointments are readily available for those who can't make established duty hours."

The MPF is open from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., weekdays for walk-in appointments. The MPF is closed from 7:30-8:30 a.m. for training, but they are able to handle emergency cases

during that time.

The finance office is open Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Fridays from 7:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. and Thursdays from 7:30 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Of the nearly 200 people who responded to the survey, 10 percent felt the BX hours need to be extended.

"At this point in time, the BX hours will remain the same, but a change in hours is being negotiated with Army and Air Force Exchange Service," said Hansen. "In response to customer requests, the shoppette is now

open at 6:30 a.m.

The change to the shoppette hours began on June 18 and it is also a 90-day trial period.

The final area people wanted to see a change in was at the fitness center.

"Unfortunately, manning doesn't allow us to be open for extended hours," said Ed Hood, fitness center director. "The Air Force requires us to be open 112 hours a week and we are able to do that but with our manning, the hours are not able to change."

The fitness center is open from 5 a.m. to 11 p.m.

Open wide



Staff Sgt. Raheem Moore / VI

Staff Sgt. Jamie Eisenhardt of the 4th Aeromedical Dental Operations Squadron gives a patient his annual cleaning. The 4 ADOS consists of the public health, dental services, health promotion, medical readiness, aerospace medicine, aerospace vision support and bioenvironmental engineering flights.

Local AFA chapter named best in NC

By Airman 1st Class Travis Riley
Public Affairs

The North Carolina State Air Force Association held its annual convention in Wilmington, N.C., and awarded the local Scott Berkeley chapter as the North Carolina Chapter of the Year, June 2.

"I believe we were selected for the honor because we have an outstanding scholarship program the people associated with the base benefit from, not to mention all of the issues that concern our military members that we have advocated for them," said Millie Hudgins, chapter president.

The AFA is a non-profit organization, which devotes much of its time furthering and advocating a better life for military members.

Hudgins said that the chapter has logged many hours in Washington D.C., trying to live up to their motto.

"We've been to Congress campaigning

for more pay raises and also to improve the TRICARE claim process for military members and their families," said Hudgins.

Hudgins said that too often the community fails to recognize people in the military unless a war breaks out.

"It's important the community supports the military in times of war and times of peace," said Hudgins. "Military members still sacrifice more than we can imagine with their families in peace time, staying combat ready."

Hudgins added that not only does the AFA support the military by campaigning for its issues, they also make it possible for local people to get help with furthering their education.

"We offer three \$1,000 scholarships to military members or military family members each year," said Hudgins. "That's just another example of how we meet the financial needs of the people on base."

Senior Airman Lorine Grosso, 4th

Operations Support Squadron intelligence analyst, said that without the \$1,000 scholarship she might not have been able to finish her schooling.

"My government aid ran out, and I was going to have to pay out pocket," said Grosso. "When I heard about the scholarship, I put a package in and luckily I won."

Hudgins said the military members who are and have benefited from the AFA should thank the veterans of years past.

"The military has gone through a lean time the past ten years, and if it wasn't for the veterans fighting for the members now, the military wouldn't be enjoying some of the benefits it does today," said Hudgins.

"It really takes everyone to make the military a better place, that's why I encourage all to join (AFA), we don't discriminate," said Hudgins. "All you have to do is be ready and willing to be an advocate for the Air Force and its members," said Hudgins.

MilMod: Some people did not get correct pay, officials say

RANDOLPH AIR FORCE BASE, Texas - Officials at the Air Force Personnel Center are asking people who have recently re-enlisted, extended their enlistments or been promoted to look closely at their latest leave and earnings statements to ensure they are receiving all of their pay.

Problems with MilMod, the Air Force's new personnel data system, may have caused the "suspension of pay records" for hundreds who re-enlisted within 30 days of their dates of separation or who have extended their enlistment since late April. These problems could lead to

those individuals not being paid, said officials here.

"What this means is that some folks may not have gotten paid, or may not see expected increases in their pay," said Lt. Col. Richard Treasure, chief of the systems requirements division here. "This really bothers us since we've been working hardest with this transition to keep peoples' pay from being affected. And it takes on that much more urgency now."

There is, however, a way for those impacted to receive their money, according to Defense Finance and Accounting Service officials. Affected airmen can

take their re-enlistment or extension contract to their accounting and finance office to receive their pay through electronic funds transfer that takes, on average, three to five days.

Another problem affects the pay of airmen promoted in June.

Some officers and enlisted members promoted in June did not get their pay increase on time, according to Treasure. The problem should be corrected by the middle of July, he said.

Individuals who find discrepancies with their LES should work with their local military personnel flights and accounting and finance offices, he said.

■ People who have recently reenlisted, extended or been promoted should check their leave and earnings statement to ensure all is well with their pay.

74 FS returns from Iceland

Ninety members from the 74th Fighter Squadron returned Monday to Pope Air Force Base, N.C., from a 15-day temporary duty in Iceland in support of Operation Northern Viking.

While operating out of Keflavik Naval Air Station, the 74 FS took five A-10s to train with NATO's allies on combat search and rescue and close air support.

The squadron's deployment went "outstanding because this was the first time in years, if ever, the A-10s have operated out of there," according to Lt. Col. Chan Floyd, 74 FS operations officer. "We were able to use the A-10 in its designed form and help train our people in a different environment."

The deployment also allowed the unit to get some real-world interaction with other units they may deploy with around the world, said Capt. Sean Monteiro, 74 FS pilot. "It also opens the eyes of our host nation to our capabilities with the different aircraft."

Floyd said deployments like these provide an opportunity to not only showcase the U.S. flag, but to train members in different environments and with agencies.

NEWS BRIEFS

Blood drive Wednesday at clinic

The 4th Medical Group holds a blood drive Wednesday from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Koritz Clinic. Everyone may participate. People who have traveled outside of the United States and are interested in donating should call the Red Cross at (800) 822-7631, ext. 8313 for eligibility guidelines.

For more information, call 2nd Lt. Wanda Greene at 722-1833.

Red Cross offers CPR, first aid

The Red Cross sponsors a health and safety course July 23-25. The class will be Community First Aid and Safety. The course is a three-night course. Adult cardiopulmonary resuscitation will be taught on July 23, infant and child CPR will be July 24 and first aid will be taught July 25. The cost for the entire course is \$45. If people want to take only two classes the cost is \$30; one CPR course is \$25. The first aid class alone is \$20. Pre-registration is required. People may register by e-mail or by completing a registration form that can be found at the front desk of the family support center. Space is limited.

For more information, call 722-1123.

Attic is open this summer

The Airmen's Attic is open Mondays and Fridays from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. The Top 3 is sponsoring a volunteer effort to keep the attic open until it is able to move to a new location in September. Volunteer slots are still available.

For more information, call 722-3205 or 722-5393.

Officer PME seminars coming soon

The recruiting drive for the formation of Air War College and Air Command and Staff College seminars is under way. Anyone interested should apply right away.

The AWC program and the ACSC program offer opportunities to enhance professional development. The curriculum closely parallels the resident course and is a way to complete senior professional military education. Seminar meetings combine self-study with an informal meeting environment conducive to learning.

Seminar meetings are held weekly, beginning Aug. 1 and running until middle of June 2002. The AWC program is open to active duty, national guard, and reserve O-5 selectees or above of any component of the United States Armed Forces, and federal civilian employees grade GS-13 or above. The ACSC program is open to active duty, Reserve, National Guard major selectees and above from all services as well as Department of Defense civilian employees in or above the grade of GS-11 (or equivalent). ACSC also has the option for weekly meetings through a cyber seminar format.

At least eight students are necessary to form a seminar. Deadline for seminar formation is July 13. For more information, call the education office at 722-5800.

SFS requires current information

The security forces squadron would like to remind people what documents are needed to register a vehicle or receive a base pass.

1. A current driver's license, federal or state issued picture identification card from all individuals over the age of 16.
2. Current vehicle registration.
3. Current proof of insurance.
4. If a person is receiving a pass, their military sponsor must be on the base.

For more information, call Senior Airman Sara Nelson at 722-1346.

Thrift store still accepting donations

The thrift store is closed for the summer, but is still able to accept donations. Donations may be placed in the drop box located behind the thrift shop at 3001 Andrews St. The shop will reopen for business on Aug. 14. Checks for sales made in May will be available at that time.

For more information, call Tina Claus at 751-8236.

Enlisted aide volunteers needed

The Air Force General's Group is soliciting enthusiastic applicants to fill future enlisted aide requirements at Royal Air Force Lakenheath, United Kingdom. If interested, please review eligibility criteria and application procedures listed in AFI 36-2123, Management of Enlisted Aides.

For more information, call 722-4017.

Reserve opportunities for active duty

The Air Force Reserve offers many career and educational benefits, some of which are the same as active duty. The Reserve offers retraining opportunities along with opportunities to maintain proficiency in a current career field.

For more information, call Tech. Sgt. Kyle Almquist 722-2259.

CAC changes channel

The commander's access channel can now be seen on cable Channel 81, instead of Channel 79. The channel contains base wide information on services and events that affect the Seymour Johnson community.

Don't ruin it

Drinking and driving kills careers

Call AADD at 722-3333

To volunteer to save lives, call 722-4096

A war to remember



Senior Airman Rhiannon Willard / VI
Col. David Edgington (right), 4th Fighter Wing commander, plants a Mugunghua plant, the Korean national flower, with Lim Jae Gu from the Goldsboro Korean community June 29 at Kimpo Park. The planting came as part of a observance of the 50th Anniversary of the Korean War. That ceremony was eventually followed by a special retreat ceremony and missing-man flyover. Bases around the country are holding ceremonies in commemoration of the war, which lasted from 1950 to 1953.

DOD looks for family of missing servicemembers

While great strides have been made in accounting for service members who did not return from our nation's wars, efforts continue in this vital task, according to officials in the Air Force Personnel Center's Missing Persons Branch at Randolph AFB, Texas.

Capt. Keith Collier, Missing Persons Team Chief, pointed out that a big part of the future success will depend on efforts to find family members of those still unaccounted for.

Although DoD has had great success maintaining contact with family members of those lost during the Vietnam and Cold War, he indicated the same is not true for Korea and World War II.

Branch officials stressed the two-fold importance of locating family members: to keep them informed of efforts to recover their loved ones; and to ask them to give a sample of their blood to keep on file in the event it is needed in the identification process, using DNA comparisons.

Family members of missing service members or individuals who know of someone still unaccounted for are urged to call the appropriate toll-free number: Air Force, (800) 531-5501; Army, (800) 892-2490; Marine Corps, (800) 847-1597; Navy, (800) 443-9298; Department of State (for missing civilians), (202) 647-6769.

(Courtesy Air Force retiree news)

SKIES: Airman came back in because he missed job

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ble hazards such as turbulence, icing and thunderstorms which may have an impact on the mission."

Hall admits that trying to get a forecast right is a very challenging task, but one that he truly enjoys. In fact it's that challenge, along with the closeness and camaraderie within the career field that led him to rejoin the Air Force last year.

"I got out back in 1995 because I needed to sort out some personal problems," said Hall.

"During that time I eventually ended up working for a lawn service company. I did well there and was promoted to service manager, however, I really missed being a forecaster, the Air Force and the people I worked with."

After he got his personal problems resolved, Hall said he decided to get back in the Air Force. He said the decision was an easy one, especially since his wife was very supportive of the idea.

"I haven't regretted it," said Hall. "It's the best choice I could have made. I came back because I love being a weather forecaster and the pride I have in being a part of the Air Force."

Part of that pride Hall admits is in trying to get the forecast right. He said it doesn't always work out that way.

"It can be a very frustrating process," said Hall. "A plus B doesn't always equal C. I hate to get it (a forecast) wrong. If I don't get it right I ask the pilot for feedback, then I try to find out why it turned out that way."

Hall said that even with today's technologically advanced weapons systems on the F-15Es, weather forecasting still plays an important role in mission planning.

"Forecasting is challenging and it's fun," said Hall. "I love it."

COURSE: Online upgrades should reduce TDY time

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said Tegtmeier. The Air Force is also likely to see reduced travel costs.

"Most importantly, by taking the training to our airmen, we can significantly enhance our readiness and operational capabilities while reducing the amount of temporary duty time required of our people," he added.

Shifting the philosophy of bringing airmen to training courses to taking the training to airmen in the field is one of the major principles supporting the ADL program, the major said.

To enroll, eligible airmen can contact the job site training office at the base where the course originates, and they will be registered and assigned a password and user identification, said Twogood.

Eventually, airmen will be notified and enrolled as soon as they become eligible to complete craftsman courses, he said.

While completing an ADL course will be self-paced using the Internet, students will have the ability to telephone or e-mail instructors to ask questions and receive help, said Twogood.

During the initial implementation phases of ADL, base education centers will administer end-of-course exams.

Tegtmeier said his staff is facing several challenges, including standardization and optimization of available technology.

"We know we have a long way to go, but we have reached a point where we have an 'e-training' site and are offering initial courses for airmen assigned anywhere in the world," he said.

The ADL staff is working with 19th Air Force to incorporate aircrew training courses into the program, Tegtmeier said.

"Additionally, we hope to see a greater interoperability between all the services' training programs as a result of ADL.

Airmen can get more information about the ADL program and course offerings at the e-training Web site. (Courtesy of AETC News Service)

Standings

Softball

American League

4 CRS	9-0
AMMO "A"	8-2
4 SUPS	6-3
4 OSS	6-3
4 CES	6-4
4 CS	4-3
334th OPS	3-5
333 FS	3-7
335 FS	0-9
4 CRS "C"	0-9

National League

4 EMS AGE	7-0
4 TRANS	5-2
4 SFS	5-3
AMMO "B"	5-3
333 FS "B"	4-3
4 MSS	4-3
4 OSS "B"	5-4
334 FS	4-4
4 CRS "B"	3-3
LIFE SUPPORT	1-8

Women's softball

916 ARW	6-3
333 FS	6-4
4 OSS	6-4
4 CES	5-5
4 MDG	2-9

Commander's Cup points

Large unit		Small unit	
4 MDG	170	334 FS	140
4 CES	138	4 OSS	123
4 CRS	123	4 SUPS	104
4 EMS	115	4 SFS	97
333 FS	111	4 TRANS	84
336 FS	79	4 CS	80
335 FS	30	4 CPTS	49
916 ARW	28	4 MSS	46
		4 SVS	45
		4 CONS	2
		371 TRS	2

Standings information provided by the fitness center staff at 722-0408.

AMMO socks Supply, 14-1

By Airman 1st Class Travis Riley
Public Affairs

The AMMO A team pummeled the 4th Supply Squadron 14-1 in a mercy-rule game, ending after only five innings of play Monday during an intramural softball game at Tinker Field.

Ammo started off the first inning, bringing across three runs on five hits putting Supply at a deficit they would never come back from. Supply scored one run bringing the score to 3-1.

In the third inning, AMMO once again used its hot bats to get five hits and plate two runs to put Supply four runs down.

Supply did start a two-out rally in the bottom of the inning, putting a runner on first and second, only to have it shot down by AMMO when they turned a four-to-six-to-three double play.

AMMO never let up in their quest to go home after five innings, as they scored two more runs on three hits, all on two outs. Supply wasted an opportunity to get out of the inning unscathed when pitcher Chad Davis sailed a throw over the

first baseman's head on a slow grounder.

In the fourth inning Supply got the first two outs quick, when pitcher Chad Davis induced two lazy fly balls to center out of the hot hitting AMMO team. But with two outs down and one to go, Supply self-destructed on the field.

After fielding a slow grounder, Davis rushed his throw to first and watched it sail over the first baseman's head.

AMMO capitalized and took the Supply goof - up turning it in to two runs, bringing the score to 7-1, after four innings.

In the top of the fifth, the determined AMMO team came to bat and looked to put the game away. That's exactly what they did by scoring seven runs on 10 hits, completely overwhelming Supply and knocking all the hope they once had out of them.

Supply needed three runs to keep the game going in the bottom of the fifth, but it might as well have been thirty runs. All they could manage to do was get one hit, which brought their total to only nine for the game.



Airman 1st Class Travis Riley / WT

AMMO player Erik Ryland slides under a Todd Fowler tag during AMMO's 14-1 win over Supply Monday.

Sports shorts

Jr. golf program

The Three Eagles Golf Course junior golf program is in full swing, offering Tuesday morning clinics from 9-10:30 a.m., for children ages 8 and up through July 24. This season's program concludes with a "grand finale" Kids Classic junior golf tournament, sponsored by Bank of America, scheduled for July 29.

For more information, call the pro shop at 722-0395.

HAWC activities

This month, the health and wellness center is offering several classes to help people kick the tobacco habit. The six-week course Kick Butts Tobacco Cessation Class begins Tuesday from 6-7 p.m. The class focuses

on the physical and psychological effects of tobacco addiction. The nicotine patch and Zyban are available to authorized users of the base pharmacy. Also, this month an education class for teens, "Too Cool to Smoke," is being offered July 20 from 3-4 p.m., at the youth activities center. The class is aimed at educating teens on the dangers of tobacco and provides assistance

with kicking the habit if needed. In conjunction with the teen class, a class which focuses on what parents can do reduce teen smoking is being offered July 19 from noon to 1 p.m. For those who wish to learn how to lower their blood pressure, the dietary approaches to stop hypertension class is scheduled Wednesday and July 25 from 10 to 11:30 p.m. Fitness on the go, is also scheduled for Wednesday from 10-11 a.m. It is a new class that

will teach people how to use exercise bands to strengthen their muscles without going to the gym. The get fit for life class, scheduled for Monday from 9:30-11 a.m. focuses on how people can modify their lifestyles with guidance on general nutrition and fitness information. The healthy heart class is scheduled for July 18 from 10-11:30 p.m. For more events and activities, call the HAWC at 722-0407.

Got car trouble?

The Air Force Aid Society can provide assistance with unexpected vehicle expenses. To learn more about the AFA, contact the family support center at 722-1123.

Air Force Aid



Catholic
•Weekend Masses: Saturday - 5:30 p.m., Sunday - 9:30 a.m.

•Weekday Masses: Weekdays - 11:30 a.m. to noon

•Confessions: Saturday - 4:30 to 5:15 p.m., weekdays by request

• The Catholic Women of the Chapel meets the first Friday of each month at 9:30 a.m. in the Chapel Annex.

For information, call 751-0140.

Protestant Services

•Sunday services:

8 a.m. - Liturgical worship service

9:30 a.m. - Religious education, ages three through adult, meets in Bldg. 4403

10:45 a.m. - Extended religious education

11 a.m. - Traditional service

12:30 p.m. - Inspirational service

•The Protestant men meet at 9 a.m. every first Saturday of the month.

•The Protestant women meet at 7 p.m. the second Thursday of every month.

•For more information, or to contact a chaplain during duty hours, call 722-0315. To contact a chaplain after duty hours, call the command post at 722-2679.

Jewish, Orthodox and Muslim
Call the chapel at 722-0315.

Inside the gate

ACC Preteen lock-in: The second annual Air Combat Command Pre-teen Lock-In is scheduled for July 21. This event is for 9-12 year-olds and will be from 9 p.m. to 7 a.m. Activities will include base-to-base telephone challenges, prizes, food, and more. The cost is \$5 for members and \$7 for guests. People should sign up at the youth center by Monday. For more information, call the youth center at 722-0334.

Family child care open house scheduled: Family child care offers two open houses for people interested in finding out more about the program, July 14 and July 23. FCC offers in-home care for children ages two weeks through 14 years by licensed providers in military family housing. Four FCC providers will open their homes to share their indoor and outdoor environments and home child care programs. Visit Patti Baddeley at 203 Squire

Ave., and Connie Nicholson, 118 Lowry Dr. on July 14, from 10 a.m. to noon, or see the homes of Yulonda Gregory, 821 Bolling Dr., and Shawn Cason, 821 Paine St., on July 28, from 10 a.m. to noon. For more information, call the family child care office at 722-0329.

Lunch: Tuesdays at the Ten Pin Café is spaghetti day. A plate of spaghetti, served with a roll, salad and a drink is \$4. Other menu items such as pizza and cheeseburgers are also available. The Ten Pin Café runs luncheon specials daily and is located in the bowling center. For more information, call 722-0349.

Cooking demonstration: This month, a cooking demonstration is scheduled for July 25 from 6-7 p.m. at the Family Place, located at 705 Chandler Rd. The demonstration will focus on alternative cooking for a healthier lifestyle.

For more information, call 722-1123.

Family fun: The batting cages and miniature golf course are now open from 1-8 p.m., seven days a week. The batting cages are free. Miniature golf is \$2.50 a round for adults and \$1.50 a round for children 12 and under. An unlimited daily play pass can be purchased for \$5. A 10-round adult punch card is \$20 and a 10-round punch card for children is \$10. Youngster day is Saturdays from 1-3 p.m. Kids can play for \$1 a round. For more information, call 722-1104.

Legal brown bag lunch: As part of the monthly brown bag legal lecture series, Capt. Nick Wood will present "Identity theft, what you don't know can hurt you and your family," briefing July 13 from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., at the legal office. People who attend the briefing may bring their lunch to this informal pres-

entation. For more information, call 722-5322.

Parenting group: Moms and Pops Morning Group meets Mondays from 10 a.m. to noon at 750 Chandler Rd., the Family Place. The group focuses on issues and activities for the parents of children newborn to three years of age. For more information, call Marcia O'Quinn or Madalyn Lambert at 722-1878.

Employment workshops: The family support center is offering several classes to help people with finding a job. The "Resume Writing and Electronic Resumes" class is offered July 17 at 9-11 a.m. and an "Interviewing Skills" class July 24. The "How to Identify Your Most Marketable Career Skill" class is scheduled for Aug. 7 from 9-11 a.m. A job search is scheduled for Aug. 21 from 9-11 a.m. For more information, call 722-1123.

Children's theater holds auditions

By Staff Sgt. Connie Etscheidt
Public Affairs

The Missoula Children's Theater holds auditions Monday from 10 a.m. to noon at the base theater for youths in Kindergarten through grade 12 to cast this year's performance of Sleeping Beauty.

"This gives the children an opportunity to get involved in a fine arts program and find out if they're interested in acting," said Diana Pelletier, youth programs director.

Since only 50 to 60 base youths will be cast in the play, not all who audition will make the cut. Youths should plan to stay for the two-hour audition since rehearsals begin 30 minutes later and continue through July 13, Pelletier said.

Parents do not have to stay with their children throughout the entire audition although it is encouraged since children tend to be nervous, she said. For more information, call 722-0339.

Angel Eyes - While pursuing a suspect one night, Officer Sharon Pogue nearly becomes the victim of a fatal ambush until a mysterious stranger named Catch intervenes, disarms the assassin and saves Sharon's life. A stroke of luck?

What's the worst That Could Happen - A billionaire catches a thief robbing his mansion. To get even with him, he takes the thief's lucky charm ring, telling the cops that it's his own ring. Depraved of his good luck charm, and faced with a future of bad luck, the thief begins wreaking revenge on the tycoon. So, the story becomes a battle of wills as the thief tries to get his most treasured possession, his luck, back from a man who has everything.

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Previews:
Shrek - Hideous green monster, Shrek, sets out on a quest to find his perfect wife - an equally ugly princess - and terrifies everyone he meets during his adventures. Based on the picture book by William Steig.

Friday
7 p.m. Angel Eyes (R)
Saturday
2 p.m. Shrek (PG)
7 p.m. What's the worst that could happen (PG-13)
Sunday
2 & 7 p.m. Shrek (PG)

